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SUBJECT: LABOR UNION RESPONSE TO CALL OF MOTHERLAND

SUMMARY: ALL-ETHIOPIAN TRADE UNION (AETU) CONCLUDED THREE-DAY CONGRESS AUGUST 4 AT WHICH IT CALLED FOR WORKERS TO BE ARMED AND TRAINED TO JOIN PEOPLE'S MILITIA, FOR WORKERS NOT MOBILIZED TO BEAR ADDITIONAL WORK LOAD WITHOUT ADDITIONAL MANPOWER, AND FOR SALARIES TO BE PAID TO WORKERS' FAMILIES AFFECTED BY MODILIZATION. CONGRESS ALSO CALLED ON AETU MEMBERS TO MAKE MONTHLY CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAMPAIGN ON PROGRESSIVE SCALE. IT ALSO DECLARED PRODUCTION MONITORING COMMITTEES SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED TO SUPPLEMENT EXISTING REVOLUTIONARY DEFENSE, ARBITRATION, AND WORKERS' COMMITTEES. CONGRESS FURTHER URGED GREATER EFFICIENCY THROUGHOUT TRANSPORTATION INDUSTRY. IN RESPONSE TO AETU DEMANDS FOR MILITIA TRAINING, RECRUITS DRAWN FROM WORKERS BEGAN ARRIVING AT TATEK TRAINING CAMP PAST WEEKEND (AUG.13-14). END SUMMARY.

1. AS FURTHER DEMONSTRATION OF ETHIOPIAN EFFORTS TO MOBILIZE POPULATION FULLY FOR DEFENSE CAMPAIGN, AETU HELD FIRST CONGRESS SINCE ITS FORMATION LAST JANUARY. DECISIONS AND GUIDELINES PASSED BY THREE-DAY CONGRESS  
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REFLECT PRE-OCCUPATION WITH DEFENSE CAMPAIGN AND ONLY MARGINAL CONCERN WITH USUAL LABOR ACTIVITIES. DECISIONS TAKEN BY CONGRESS TO ARM AND TRAIN WORKERS FOR MILITIA FORCES TO PROVIDE MONTHLY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ALREADY MOBILIZED FORCES, TO MONITOR PRODUCTION AND TO ISSUE EXHORTATIONS TO CRITICAL TRANSPORTATION INDUSTRY EXEMPLIFY MOBILIZATION EFFORTS.

2. AS RESULT AETU CONGRESS DECISIONS, FIRST GROUP OF NEWLY RECRUITED WORKERS FOR MILITIA TRAINING ARRIVED AT TATEK CAMP AUGUST 11-13 AND WERE RECEIVED BY TRAINING CENTER ADMINISTRATOR MAJ. TEFERRA WOLDE-TENSAI (BIO AVAILABLE IN DEP.) AND PMAC MEMBER IN CHARGE OF MILITIA POLITICAL AFFAIRS (I.E. INDOCTRINATION) SECOND LT. GEZAHEGN WORKIE.

3. COMMENT: IT UNKNOWN EFFECT RECRUITMENT OF WORKERS WILL HAVE ON PRODUCTION, BUT GIVEN LOW TECHNICAL SKILLS REQUIREMENTS OF MOST INDUSTRIES HERE, WORKERS SHOULD BE EASILY REPLACABLE FROM LARGE POOL OF URBAN UNEMPLOYED. MOBILIZATION SHOULD THUS NOT CAUSE SIGNIFICANT DROP IN PRODUCTION.  
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